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2007-2008 Michigan Hunting Season

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SPECIES	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.
COTTONTAIL RABBIT & VARYING HARE	SEPT. 15 - MAR. 31						
DEER:							
YOUTH FIREARM	SEPT. 22 - 23						
SPECIAL DISABLED FIREARM HUNT		OCT. 20 - 21					
ARCHERY		OCT. 1 - NOV. 14		DEC. 1 - JAN. 1			
REGULAR FIREARM			NOV. 15 - 30				
MUZZLELOADING				DEC. 7 - 16 (ZONE 1) DEC. 14 - 23 (ZONE 2) DEC. 7 - 23 (ZONE 3)			
PHEASANT (MALE)				OCT. 10 - 31 (RESTRICTED AREA, ZONE 1) OCT. 20 - NOV. 14 (ZONES 2, 3) DEC. 1 - JAN. 1 (RESTRICTED AREA, ZONE 3)			
QUAIL			OCT. 20 - NOV. 14 (RESTRICTED AREA)				
RUFFED GROUSE		SEPT. 15 - NOV. 14		DEC. 1 - JAN. 1			
SQUIRREL		SEPT. 15 - MAR. 1					
FALL WILD TURKEY			OCT. 8 - NOV. 14 (SEE 2007 TURKEY HUNTING GUIDE)				
WOODCOCK		SEPT. 22 - NOV. 5					

NOTE: Consult the official 2007 *Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide* for the full hunting schedule and to determine hunting zones, bag limits, and special restrictions. Access it at www.michigan.gov/dnr.

Hunting and Fishing Resource Guide



Provided by:

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Dear Friend,

The Michigan tradition of hunting is well under way. There are many different options. With deer, turkey, elk, bear and waterfowl, there is sure to be something for every outdoor enthusiast.

Contained in this resource guide are helpful hints that will make your hunting and fishing experiences more enjoyable. If you don't hunt or fish but still enjoy Michigan's natural environment, these tips will help keep you and your family safe and informed. There is information on hunting seasons, license requirements, safety tips, hunting and fishing guide information, and much more.

As always, I welcome your suggestions and comments on ways I can help preserve the natural beauty and hunting tradition here in Michigan.

Sincerely,

Glenn S. Anderson
State Senator • 6th District



State of Michigan Kill tags are available for sale on E-License. Expect kill tags to arrive within 7 business days of your purchase.

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The Michigan Department of Natural Resources E-License system is designed to allow customers to purchase hunting and fishing licenses, special hunt applications and permits 24 hours a day, 7 days a week within applicable sales dates. You will also be able to print most small game and fishing licenses using your own printer. Our goal is to make the license-buying process easier for our customers who enjoy the great outdoors.

Do Not Move Firewood

Hunters can make an important contribution to stop the spread of the emerald ash borer (EAB) by leaving firewood at home and purchasing it after reaching their destination. Since its discovery, EAB has killed an estimated 15 million ash trees in Michigan, Ohio and Indiana.

Most of the tree loss has been in southeastern Michigan. Recently, however, outlying infestations have been detected throughout northern lower Michigan and in the eastern Upper Peninsula. Most of these outlying infestations are a result of moving firewood that contained the little green bug

from southeastern Michigan. Moving firewood is the single most important factor in the long-distance spread of EAB and puts Michigan's 700 million ash trees at risk. Hunters need to remember that Michigan has a quarantine prohibiting the movement of all hardwood firewood out of quarantined areas.

2007 Hunting Guides

Before you go out hunting, be sure to visit the DNR online at www.michigan.gov/dnr to access the 2007 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide. Along with rules and regulations, the Guide contains information on changes in the law, hunting seasons, wildlife diseases, hunting with disabilities and much more. You can also get a printed copy from your local license agent. Here is a list of the 2007 specialty hunting guides that are available online:

[2007 Michigan Waterfowl Hunting Guide](#) • [2007 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide](#)
[2007 Michigan Antlerless Deer Hunting Guide](#) • [2007 Michigan Fall Turkey Hunting Guide](#)
[2007 Michigan Elk Hunting Guide](#) • [2007 Michigan Bear Hunting Guide](#)

Hunter Safety Education

- You must take hunter safety if you were born after **January 1, 1960**.
- A hunter safety certificate or previous hunting license is required to purchase any Michigan Hunting License.
- Hunters anticipating an out-of-state hunting trip need to obtain a certificate prior to their trip. Most states require hunters to carry their certificate when hunting and need it to purchase a license.

The hunter safety course is NOT the equivalent of a specific gun safety course and does NOT meet the requirements for Concealed Weapons permits. Please visit the Michigan State Police website at www.michigan.gov/msp for information on Concealed Weapons Permits.

DNR Numbers

Wildlife Bureau	517-373-1263
Fisheries	517-373-1280
Parks & Recreation	517-373-9900
Forest Management	517-373-1275
Law Enforcement	517-373-1230
Report All Poaching	800-292-7800



Hunting Safety Tips

Many non-hunters might be surprised to learn that hunting is one of the safest outdoor activities around. But that doesn't happen by accident. It starts with hunting safety first. Efforts like hunter education and the use of hunter orange have had a big impact on making the sport safer. In fact, the DNR has reported a significant drop in hunter-related injuries and deaths since mandatory hunter safety classes began.

So before you head out into Michigan's great outdoors, remember to hunt safely and keep these basic firearm rules in mind:

- Always have complete control of your weapon.
- Always treat your firearm as if it were loaded.
- Before firing, know your target and what is beyond.
- Be sure the gun is safe to operate and use only the correct ammunition.
- Always unload your weapon before putting it in your vehicle or camp.
- NEVER mix hunting and alcohol.

You Can Help Stop the Spread of VHS

Viral Hemorrhagic Septicemia (VHS) is a virus that causes disease in fish but does not pose any threat to public health. Samples from northern Lake Huron have confirmed the existence of VHS in lake whitefish, walleye and Chinook salmon.

Anglers and boaters can help prevent the further spread of VHS and other diseases by taking these precautions:

- Use a bleach solution (1/2 cup to 5 gallons of water) to disinfect and clean your boat, bilge and gear.
 - Allow your boat and fishing items to completely dry in the sunlight for 4-6 hours.
 - Empty live wells and bilges when leaving the water to avoid transferring any of that water elsewhere.
- Taking these precautions will help control the spread of this pathogen along with many other aquatic nuisance species.

Free Fishing Guides Available



The Michigan Department of Natural Resources offers a number of free fishing guides on its website, www.michigan.gov/dnr.

The guides contain helpful information such as dates and season information for various species of fish, license requirements and prices, boat registration information, and general hook and line regulations.

